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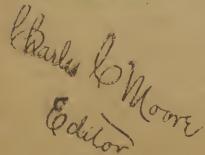
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CHARLES C. MOORE.

"THE DAMNED STUFF CALLED ALCOHOL."

I believe that alcohol, to a certain degree, demoralizes those who make it those who sell it, and those who

I believe from the time it issues from the colled and poisonous worm of the distillery until it emptles into the hell of crime, death and dishonor, it demoralizes everybody that touches

I do not believe that anybody can contemplate the subject without becoming prejudiced against this liquid

of death—of the suicides, of Insanlty, of the poverty, of the ignorance, of the distress, of the little children tugging

left you feel that you have unwill are will. iginary serpents produced by this tory to me. Your truly,

you think of the jails, of of the prisons, and of very thoughtful man

- INCERSOLL

1001 APOL-OCIES [CON-

Tried and Trusted Friend for Thirty-Five Years.

And Friends Before He and I Knew Each Other,

Phere's blood on the moon In Kentneky, The fun will be soon In Kentucky. there'll be lighting and gore And carnage galore, Between Polk and Monte In Kermicky.

Lexington, Ky., April 19, 1902. C. Moore, Editor Blade.

In your issue of March 23rd, appears the following, which was incorporated In some comments you made on a pape falled "The Broad Ax"

"I sketched over the piece and the miling of it was about the best of it t reminded me of Polk's whisky.

W. H. Polk is an editor in Lexing on and like all taxington editors (ex ept me) knows good whisky. He was tim a flask of one of the outside brands of whisky and said: "Try That; it? of the finest farewell you ever tacted." said: "It ought to buce fine far 10; ed got the diment to now ever to be ever

ight by a reflection even a joking one on the sobriety of another, especially lon the other is, and always has been friend. True, how at home, where If know both the editor and myself, hts joke would have no other effect those who know that I am a reformed vith politicians, Kertucky Colonels and other wheled characters who from time mmemorial have pressed the "flowing owl" upon those who wielded the pen If on new papers, causing many of the latter to become devoted worshippers it the shring of John Barleycom.

Therefore in self defense, I write you that you correct the wrong impression on have sent broadcast in regard to

Having known you so long and in unately and always entertaining the highest opinion of your real honesty, I some peculiar mental operation you substituted me for another man. I told you budget of extracts that you regularly the story, but not upon myself. I told you that the man who took the drink of my paper. made the remark to the barkesper about the quality of the whisky. I was not that was ever printed fell from the a party to the transaction at all. So it ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♠ mixed or you saw a good opportunity the "B G, B" and your hearty appre o stretch the blanked and get off :

> In either case you have hurt my repu ation, and no malter what your mo ive was, in so doing, you owe me an apology and I shall expect it. I have been trying to live an upright, sober heard of each other, and it would be life, and drinking nothing stronger than worse than suicide for you and me now tea and coffee, and believe that you will to become enemies because I printed an see your way clear to do me justice.

I have always belived in the code as borger than mine. he only effectual mode by which to hold gentlemen responsible for injuries h y may do others. If it were still In ogue we should see less slandering and illification (I follow the spelling of the from Jim that Polk¹s letter is all a joke, uranuscript—Moore) of others in the oublic prints and there would be no so, but I am glad it afforded me an aiding of the authors of such publica Alt you have to do is to think of the tions behind the pleat that they "do no believe in duelling." (His spelling tions behind the plea that they "do not

If you feel that you have unwillingly at the faded dresses of weeping and done me an injustice and are willing to make the amende, that you cannot but the millions who have struggled with done me an injustice and are willing to experiences in which friends bave despairing wives, asking for bread; of the men of genius it has wrecked; of the millions who have struggled with recognize as due me, it will be satisfactively be satisfactively be satisfactively by the satisfactive following ment and it was really the millions who have struggled with

ANSWER. lo Editor W. H. Polk, Esq. Dear Sir What I shall here say is

there be in your mind even the remotest aspicion that what I here say is suggested by the thought that "Discretion is the better part of valor," every word that smacks of apology is withdrawn, pany" Biz. and I leave you to get the redeess that you may desire as best you may and by such means as you may select, you are the only man, to the hest of my knowledge and belief, that I ever asl. of to write a piece for my paper, and this is To Editod William K. Polk, My True the first time you have ever done so. The communication is so diametric by opposed to what I would have an ipated that, after several careful read-And Our Wives Were College Mates ings of it, I am unable to say whether It is all joke, all earnest or part joke and part earnest.

You are a soldier of four years spot less record as a brave man. Your par theipancy in the tragic street pistol dual between Editor Tom Green and polltician Lou Baldwin was the most unsellich piece of heroism that I have known In my 65 years. I witnessed it at short range. The smoke was such that you did not see and could not know who the principles were, and yet you went in empty-handed to separate them. When the smoke cleared away Baldwin lay dead, and Green lay beside hlm, the blood spurling from several wound and you were shot.

For that single deed, on that spot this State owes you a monument to which would subscribe, according to my means, more than it coes to John C Breckinridge, who stand, in bronze of 'heapside

I am sorry you us'd that word raveling once and somebody handed mand" and I do not believe that in all this city there is an editor or a soblici of the "blue" or the "gray" who will say I owe you any apology, but if after Polk's impled it, made a wry face and having enjoyed for 35 years your friend ship, unmarreet by word or thou hi, excepting inf. polisione it care that lone anything that in the least hurs your feelings, I gladly add to the apol

> You are morally intelle tually and physically a man worthy of any man'

If I had to be hung or produce it than to provoke a laugh, especially with Judge Parker's court evidence that he would accept as competent to the effect your life I would, literally, be "at the end of my rope". I do not remember ever to have seen in you, or heard from you, anything that Indicated you had used liquor, and yet, I suppole, that like almost every Kentuckian you have sam pled the chief slaple product of our State. You make no precension to his asking you in fact demanding being a tin angel on wheel and yet 1 to not remember that I ever heard anybody, ay you had said or done anything that I would hisitate to say or do today, and print it in my paper I am not given to enlogy am too much the other way, but I do not know : can only attribute this mistake on your man in the whole broad world whose part to your forgetfulness of what 1 friendship I would not surrender as wil really did tell you about that drink, By lingly as I would yours. Even your letter printed above contained the usual

The first copy of the Blue Grass Blide s one of two thing, , either you got it the first man who ever read a copy of riation of it was the first fluing that checred me down heartest them as I am iow and ever will be to believe it

would be a survess. Your wife and mine were friends and folloge mates before, you and I ever old chestunt that laid whiskers on it

Yours fraternally

CHARLES C. MOORE P. S. Since the above was written have come back to my office and find and, of course, I am gratified to find it opportunity to say some things about an old friend that I wanted to say any how. You all may think I am a fool for not having seen the joke in the lirst place, but I have had so many strange fooled by Polk's letter. It's a horse on nre and Polk and I will both get drunk over it.

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MORE CAMPBELLITE

pany" Biz.

By union all con, ent of all those who have I n robbed-which are nearly very t dy in Lexington that could raise a dollar—the "investment com pany" iel'ows are regarded as the wors

Old Spencer's Compbelite gospel shot upplies three of them, and Spencer is supposed to be the sky-buster whose name was left blank in the Democrat who pre clied in favor of the invest ment company his boys were running

The three fellows in his gang that truck it rich in the investment com pany biz, are Arnspiger, Cropper and or. Donel on 1 only know the firs and last—first two are deacons that s around the meat and blood of J and the missionary box, and the las the hou leader, a job that raise nore hell to the square yard, among gool looking sistren of the church arything on earth. There has rore deviltry plotted between the women in organ lofts while cher has his eyes shut praying forty times the same space or treet. Donaldson is a tooti and is a saline sample of th of the earth." I don't know for know anything about him a comparatively hone t mai Al'know to the contrary, but by r is a daily have to quit to the cural delivery mail

TROW HALLELUJAH TO HASH

igto Lodir from the bright for iea — Her of navold trlend Coloit (Daily Fillough Ayre

it takes a crank to make

Mr. Mirro hi in de more forct us nich out of her throat and fittle organ about å, big a faratoss trunk that be uled arry around with her than any wo uin wio ever lived in America. And w. .o killing sweet to look at Jol of world ro for used to follow here to be though relly it was night

old bent. We are now A elicw courted this Main and I to in my and he and "I am Seem they full call her Most dis-

Heavely much is mighty west some can, but when a tellow is good hunge grub oven of bearding house

Once sere was a fellow at cant wice ound a cuff builton in higher of tip, and he called up the une eer waiter to comptain about it, and the fig. 1 aid a hopes boss dat you don't spect to find a whole eet of jew eliv in a ten-cent plate of soup

press at midnight in 1881. You were SCNT TO THE PENITENTIARY.

It will be remembered that not lonpinted a letter from a jeweler of Wilmigton A.C., in which he claimed to be an infidel and cald he was being redemonsly prosecuted by Christians whe charged him with having burnt he own store for the insurance money I asked in the Blade, that if That is the office that is higher thing body knew of Hauser as being an the Presidency of the United States. intidel h would inform me about it, and I have gotten no information to fat (t) 1 Hauser has now been sent o the pantentiary at Raleigh, N. C.

If any body knows his statement to be rue I h be the party will inform me, and we must try to do comething for

PREACHER IN TROUBLE.

Sawyer, pastor of the Alothod t Church at Dover, has been uspended from church work nutil the text rice rig of Kentucky conferen it London in September. The Dove

The so, inc charges are. That Rov Say, yer was guilty of conduct unbecoming a preacher, in allowing a certain narried woman, of Covington now vis lting in Dover to visit him in his study in the correct many times, at unseem ngly hat and alght Lexington Der berat.

. Comment Same old racket, same

ter, and same devilment among these sanctified thieves and llars that is go ing on all the time. The Methodi preacher is the grandest rascal on earth among the women

SAYS LIVE FOR THE PRESENT, NOT FOR THE FUTURE LIFE

an Francisco Cal, Bulletin Amil

Editor The Bulletin - In the i sae of March 16, referring to Kate Austin's article denying immortality, C Sproal says. "Has the ever considered what relation such a universal benef (or rather disbelief) would have upon motality and how much harm might com-

it is out of our line to prophesy what might happen if other conditions provailed. It is far easier to tell what has happened. It would be difficult indeed to conceive a teaching that ous to social purity, more destructive to health and morals, more terrorizing managed to get the lucre all the same

to humanity, more disastrous to scientific research, more crushing to or done ought to swear out a search ambitious achievement and more injurious in its effects upon its followers had money and travel, and store clothes in general than the hoary-headed and good grub galore, and now if J C. eaching that we are living for the future life and not the present life; that or tomorow's phantom; that our prothers may be crushed to the wall, ones may clurb to heaven and bliss at Iri hooly believe it's for white people the right hand of God, and that we may become hars, thieves, hypocrites for and orbigh tortical for ice

on not the Christian reheior the flux of co. add at the ath

help-lief in immortality would result but the young fellow have to do it all m wor confinon I'm meblis int er will mae fully ritire, but while uc'i prost cannot be brought and of today for the enlightenment and progress of the human family in this life and if immortality be a fact in tead of making a failure of the prro. The brit e whou we reach it and

tion C Sproat call immortality " metry levend," with the terrible re nte or its reaction writt in In letters t blood and flame and the cries of its laubting victim echoing down the

HARRIET M (LOSZ Web ter City, la, March 25, 1902.

MISS ALICE MOORE

A Model Young Woman Who Is Miller.

Near my honge lives a man 84 year dd who i. a unller. His name is Sam el Moore He is no kin to me. I would rroud to have him my kinsman. H

is poor. The nother made great effor to get her children educated and suc-ed d spindidly. Her son married the daughtr of Chiet Justice Fuller, of the Supreme Court of the United States. That is the office that is higher than Miss Alice Moore is 25 years old. is worth a dozen such women as Miss Alice Roosevelt

Miss Alice Moore's father having be come too old to attend to business, sh u anages the whole mill business. Sh bnys all the wheat, superintends the grinding, keeps the hooks and makes tf a into he an infidel and expects to all the sales, principally in Lexington appeal to infidels for assistance when She is unusually successful as a sales he gets into trouble he ought, some woman; more so than any man could woman; more so than any man could be, because it is a novelty to see woman in such business.

Miss Alice Roosevelt breaks a cham pagne hottle over the prow of a war Mi & Affee Moore makes flour and is an honor to Kentucky.

Brave Old Infidel Sister.

Sally, Iowa, April 12, 1902. but I want to do all I can for the cause of freedom and truth. Yours truly, SUSANNAH GEORGE.

Methodist preacher and Methodist sis- I was in the penitentiary

OF COURSE, I KNOW YOU MAUD

Illine ha hah wifi hi be k 1 am not going to jump on a man simply ecau e he is dead and built that way but the fact that a man has gone dead dee not relieve han of the responsibility of what he and and did while he

was alive It for instance toutlive Rucker I amgoing to give him an obsequeal roast that will sorter acclimate him for the place he's going to and if I don't out ive him I want Wilson to give Rucker another turn when he huffles off the

mortal Its just a much our noral duty to roast a bad man who has died as it is to praise a good man who has dled could bring about a condition more fa- The most prominent two preachers in tal to happiness in this life, more ruin- America were Talurage and Sam Jones -the first a smooth article and the latof human sympathy, more deleterious ter a rough article, but each of them

The man who start out to find any worldly enterprise, more adverse to good thing that Talmage has ever said warrant to begin with. Talmage has knew it all when he got off that racket about sticking a needle through a loday's reality must be thrust aside Campbellite's eye. Talmage and Dives are today ch mining it in hell, but nooody but mover and Irish believe In lain, trampled upon that the fortunate hell any more, and even the niggers and and Chinama

to in word, and parting your hair re lu atik they are fais and must e one or ale We old Billy goats o part the hir need who pried his hair in the middle hould ron . to e auv o. his daughters,

in the newsy the tashlon in dying word, changes lied to be that when a Sout loe Talmage died he told all about hearing harp plunking, and eeling angels and a lot of other ceru-I am frathered positry salling around and the Infidels all died smelling meat at a frying in hell and calling on J. C. to make it easy for them. But old Boh Ingersoll's last word was "Better" and nt lite in order to gain the possible he illed with a smile on his face and future we are content to didn't call on J C, worth a cent, and the n wspar rs got onto it, and now the fad is to die just as sensibly as you a have lived, and you only die like a fooi when you have lived like a fool

Taimage knew that that dying words racket was n. g.; that the newspaper boys wouldn't bave it, and so he d.dn't get up anything heavenly to shoot off just before he dled, and his last words were the most sensible he ever spoke: 'Of course I know you Maud" that is he knew his own daughter. There are mighty few preachers that know all their own children.

BUCKSHOT, RELIGION "IN KEN-TUCKY,"

At Jackson, Breathitt County, Ky., on Sunday night, April 13, as Dr. B. C. Cox, a wealthy and prominent citizen, was coming out of church, at the close of the service, three loads of huckshot were fired into hlm, killing hlm immediately. It is not known who shot hlm, or why It's dangerous to go to church

You musent go to meetin' In Kentucky; Youll get an awful beatin' In Kentucks;
The 'll hust you in the head And fill you full of lead, And kill you mighty dead, In Kentucky.

Leaves HIs Money to the Campbellite Church.

Joseph F. Hall, of Clncinnati, an Infidel, died, leaving half of his estate of \$5,000 to the Central Camphellite Church, and \$500 each to several charltable Institutions, and nothing to any of is sisters at the house of one of whom

Mr C C. Moore—I enclose 25 cents for Kidder's "Virgin Mary," Mrs. Closz's pamphlet, and 5 cents for lack.

I am an old Infidel, in my 89th year, but I want to do all I can for the cause lave the balance of hlm.

TALMAGE ISSUE.

The next Issue of the Blade will con-Comment.—One thing I brag on is tain articles on Talmage by Mrs. Henthat only one initidel woman ever deserted me—that woman who was glad itor Moore, and will be known as the

THE RETREAT OF ORTHODOXY

BY JOSEPHINE K. HENRY.

Avenue Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Ky., on March 23.

Rev. J. Kinsey Smith's subject was "Jonah." The subject is not a new Adam and the talking snake, who laid could perform such wonders as God. the foundation stone of theology. Jodead in the grave three days (according to the Bible Christ lay in the grave two nights and one day), and then Heaven?" How can any credulous mind fail to see that each of these miracles proves the other? It has always seemed strange to me that the inspired writer in giving the history and turning against the whale's stom ach came to earth again, was a type of a crucified Savior of the race who should be put to death by God's chosen people, sleep three days in the bowels of the earth, and then come to earth again. If this had been done, it might not have added to the prominence and immortal lame of Jonah, but it might have resulted in a general acceptance of Christ without the devices, design and pleadings of orthodoxy for 2,000 years.

No matter how this fish story is disposed of, Jonah is a gentleman that wrthodoxy can't keep down any more han the whale could. The Louisville Fimes said that Dr. Smith's sermon on Jonah was interesting. Why not Any human being who had passed hrough such experience as Jonah is teresting both in or out of a ser

Smith said that "the Book of Jo had been a storm center to nd untriendly iticism, and by many had been beld up to rijicul This should not trouble the orthodo: for the only thing on this earth that cannot be ridiculed is the TRUTH. Dr. Smith proceeds in his sermon as

"Various schools of thought have applied themselves to the book. One holds that it is a pure work of fiction: legorical, after the manner of the par ables of the New Testament, and in tended to instill the lesson of God's goodness, forgiveness and mercy.

"The evangelical school, bowever explained Dr. Smith, bold to the strict line of the inspiration and truth of the Book of Jonah. It teaches that Jonah was actually swallowed by the great fish and lived within it until cast up

Jonah was swallowed by the fish," continued the preacher, "than to believe fishes into enough to feed the multitude or that he turned water into wine The acceptance of a miracle is an act one miracle than another?"

One thing is certain, the story of donah is a pure fiction, an allegory, or a FACT. Fiction and allegory are twins. A parable is defined as a moral fahle, an allegory like a parable is also a fable, so both are pure fiction.

The Bible abounds in parable and allegory. They ride rough-shod over truth, common sense, natural law, his tory, arithmetic, geography and as tronomy. The Bible allegory is recognized at once because it is always pre posterous, impossible and incredible yet we are taught that it is but an ambuscade for the truth.

Strange that the Divine Author should not bring poor mystefied huon the questions on which it is claimed the immortal destiny of the race hangs.

Bible writers alone employ meta phor, allegory and parable to puzzle Le reader.

PEven in Esop the Arabian Nights, Munchausen, Josephus and Confucius and orthodoxy retreat, what is it? in their ornate, decorative style, made the meaning of their allegories perfeetly clear. If the whale really swallowed donah, to give to the world a harder on Jonah, and the baziest allemind.

id that "it is up more believe that Jonah was swallowed by the fish than to believe hat Christ expanded the loaves and ishes into enough to feed the multi- WHO IS ASHAMED TO SIGN HIS ude, or that he turned water into vine." It is in fact very difficult to believe either of these, so difficult that he world at large rejects them, and Another retreat of orthodoxy has they are believed or preached only by en made in a sermon preached by the unevoluted elergy and their credu-Rev. J. Kinsey Smith at the Fourth lous flocks. But it is more difficult to believe the Jonah story than that Christ multiplied the loaves and fishes and changed water into wine."

Neither Jonah por the whale were one. The Bible gentleman Jonah and God, and it is claimed that Christ is the Bible character the whale, whom God, and the Christian teaching he was most intimately associated that "all things are possible with with, have been stars on the theologi- God." Certainly it cannot be claimed cal stage for centuries, rivaled only by that the man Jonah and the big fish

The Rev. Smith says "the acceptnah was an indispensable and able as- ance of a miracle is an act of faith. sistant In perfecting the scheme of Why is it harder to accept one miraalvation, for if Jonah had not re-cle than another?" It is not, to those mained in the whale's belly three days, who accept on faith all that is preach and then been thrown up on dry land. ed from the fulpit as truth. A big how could it be proven that Christ lay miracle or a little one, is entirely acceptable to the mind that inherits its

A book on "Jonah" has been written came up from the grave alive, and by a noted theologian, and in it be with strength to leave the sin-cursed says that while Jonah was a guest at earth and ascend to his "Father in the marine hotel, he could bear the sea-weed scraping the sides of the great fish, and a picture has been painted showing Jonah sitting at luncheon with a mermaid in one of the rivate dining rooms of the ocean hosof Jonah did not plainly state that tehy. And this it is claimed forecasts Jonah being swallowed by a whale, the Last Supper of our Lord held in an upper room at Jerusalem.

Do we believe these things? Why not? "It is all a matter of faith," as Dr. Smith Truly says. Could the most obtuse mind fail to recognize that Jonah while in the whale's stomach taking bunch with a mermaid is a type of who claim to be Christians- in he risen Savior instituting the Euharist?

Certainly not, if faith is strong enough. The Bible teaches that "faith can remove mountains." It never has the other mountains are just where they were when Moses was in the hullushes. Earthquakes may have given them a shaking, but the combined faith of the ages has never moved one of th m. Of course, we don't know what taith may do hereafter, as it is young et, only a few thousand years old.

But now listen to Dr. J. Kinsey Smith in his Jonah sermon, and here s where be beats an ungraceful rerat from Bible infallibility and Presoyterian orthodoxy. He says:

"But in the spirit of candor and rankne, s I desire to say that I should not attempt to read a man out of the church who, after consideration and reflection, came to the conclusion that the story of Jonah is an allegory. That is a matter for his own conscious. No man can prove, or will ever be able to keep me from publishing this sheetprove. from evidence outside of the fined me; put me in jail and in the p-n- and her companion Mmc. Tsilka, have Bible, whether the story of Jonah is itentiory, threatened to kill me; belief whether you accept it as his-

So a person does not have to believe the Jonah part of the Bible to be admitted to Dr. Smith's church. Poor old Jonah, after his rough experience of being evicted by the whale, now orthodoxy knocks him out of the Bible, like Noah's weary dove, he can find no "It is no more difficult to believe that place to rest. If "conscience" can reject the Jonah miracle, how about the other miracles of the Bible? The that Christ expanded the loaves and birth and resurrection of Jesus are stusays of the Jonah story, "No man can said I was egotistic, but it has never inof faith. Why is it harder to accept them outside of the Bible, can conscience decide these things by rejecting them along with Jonah and yet The rejector "not he read out of the chureb. If not, why not?

The truth is, the church does not care what men or women believe, or refuse to believe, so they put their names on the church roll, fill the pews and cast in the coin.

I wish Dr. J. Kinsey Smith or some other "learned divine," would preach a sermon on the 37th chapter of Ezekiel. It contains the champion miracle of the Scriptures, "Jonah and the whale" have to retire in disorder before this nilracle. Wonder if the "evangelical school hold to the strict line of the inspiration and truth of the manity face to face with the truth up- 37th chapter of Ezekiel? or will it allow conscience to accept it in a do it. Pickwickian sense, as Dr. Lyman Abbott says he accepts the book of Jonah? The position of Dr. J. Kinsey Smith is that belief In the inerrant Bihle is not necessary to obtain membersuip in the church. If that is not Versailles, Kentucky.

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type of Christ lying in the grave three days, it was hard on the whale, harder on Jonah, and the baziest alleMissourl. Kansas & Texas Railway gory ever presented to the human (Katy Flyer Route), will sell tickets at above rate. Personally conducted ex-cursion cars leave St. Louis every Tues-anything he wrote, even to a hundred Church at Okawville, to which he was

NAME.

St. Louis, Mo., April 14, 1902. Charles C. Moore, Editor, Lexington, Kentucky.

I picked up a copy of the "Blue Grass Blade" a few days ago and upon examining its contents I found it to be so vile that I cannot believe it eminated from "man the poblest work of God." (from a man in his right mind) Surely you are one of Satan's most zealous emisaries. I cannot understand why you are permitted to publish and disribute such a sheet,

You are a very wicked and immoral person, and it is absurd for you to claim to edit your paper in the interest of good morals.

You are evidently not a student of the Bible. Of course you do not believe that the Bible is the word of God, neither do you believe that there is a God. You are not a Heathen, but you are worse than a Heathen-for they worship the unknown God - I think that you worship Chas. C. Moore.

Ignorant and egotistic you are greatly to be pitied, and my prayer to our Heavenly Father is that you may be brought to a knowledge of the truth. May the Holy Spirit enlighten your mind in the knowledge of God and renew your will and enable you to embrace Jesus Christ, who is so freely offered in His Gospel.

I hope you will stop in your wild ing against the interest of good morals and that your eyes may be opened to behold the heauty of the Lord.

In your tirade against inconsistent harsh terms.

arsh terms.
Will you please publish in your please publish in your please publish in your please with the lives some facts concerning the lives death-bed confessions of some of the most prominent Infidels and also the lone so up to date. Old Avarat and all grand results and hlessings upon the that would cause me loss of time world by the Christian religion. And money what has infidelity done for mankind. State all facts: no lies."

Will you publish this communication in your next issue, if the Lord will spare your improfitable life to do so "In Him you live and have your being. May He have mercy on your soul,

If you turn from your wicked way and live—and become a follower of the Saviour - 1 will then make ky

> ANSWER.

If a man's reputation for good moral and intelligence is good be is always glad to sign his name. If it's bad he won't sign it.

You write a beautiful band and spell

For a good while they did try to don't know what state) says really history. It is an act of faith and saulted me with fists, stick, pistol and other little Christian attentions, but inally gave it up; not enough of them of your way of thinking.

> How did you find out I was immoral? You ought to give the specifications. Such indefinite statements from a man who is ashamed to give his name don't

> Some pretty solid old theologians pronounced me a scholar in the Bible and ordained me to the ministry when I was only about 21 years old.

As to by worshining Charles C. Moore pendons miracles, and as Dr. Smith it is true that a good many people have prove, or will ever be able to prove, jured my health. Your abuse of me. mixed up with your prayers for me, sound like you are a hypocrite.

> All that racket about Jesus and the Holy Ghost and the Gospel don't count-I don't believe in Gbosts holy or unholy—and think that nobody but a very ignorant man does believe in them.

All that rot about my eyes being on ened to see the beauty of the Lord, has been wasted on me many times before. Give us something fresh or give us a rest. I do not condemn all Christians. I reel to one year in the penitentiary after enones because I think it possible that they do not know any better. But I despise all people as intelligent as you are who claim to be Christians, for they are all mean just like you are.

If you could put me in the penitentiary, or roast me at a stake, because I don't believe as you do, you would

cal, and that's the reason you don't sign the court. your name. You would probably steal and lie and seduce a woman if you

I don't know of any death-hed con-

St. Bartholomew's Eve. and the Inquisi tion and the burning of Hypatia and Binno and the wars with China and The Philippines and the Boers all "results" of the Chirstian religion, but not considered "blessings" by good people.

To tell the good that infidelity has done for mankind would take a whole

I will give you only some samples men of modern times that Infidelity has produced. Abraham Lincoln who de stroyed the Christian instruction of that America ever produced. Mark Twain, the greatest homorist who ever lived; Edison, the greatest scientist who ever lived. Carnegie, the greatest giver of money and patron of learning

Infidelity gave to the world, Lick, th greatest patron of astronomy; Loe Tolstoy, the greatest philanthropict who ever lived. Li Hung Chang and Wu Ting Fang, the greatest combinations of finance statesmanship, morals and learning of modern days. Kentucky In fidelity gave to the world May L. Col lins, hte most wonderful girl ever born in America, except Hellen Keller, and it gave James Lane Allen, the most bean tiful of American writers.

The leading Christians of the world one of them in the last few days bas gone so hel and another one is about to go there- are Leo XIII., Talmage, Sam Jones, Edward VII., Emperor William and Czolgosz. If your God bad sent us a rattlesnake in place of each of these he would have done a better job than be commonly loes.

I have just gotten another letter from St Louis, your town The writer was areer and consider what you are do- a poor boy, and I had money and made great sacrifice to help him. He is now St. Louis sleeper from Charleston via very rich and for years has expressed Burgin. great admiration of me. I litely wrote bip that I was hard run for money and Christians why do you condemn all wanted assistance to buy a linetype He wrote me the most abusive letter 1 ver got. He is a good Methodis

You are really a Christian or a mus womp intidel who has written this let ter to hear my reply. No genuine In adel is willing to pose as a Christian tor the purpose of perpetuating a jok

MISS STONE

The Missionary-Why the Heathen C. J. Joines, Peddler and Evangelist, Didn't Eat Her,

I am a heathen and I have seen many pretty woman here in Kentucky that could eat Tike -qawberries with gar and cream, but through the worldn't nave to be award hunger be ore I could at a steak off that Stone woman th

e paid the heather \$75,000 to set but York World representing her as sl stepped off the ship onto this countr he's got her eyes turned heavenwu look like a saint, and all she lack?

The Somerset County Democrat

Jour Paul Kruger.

"Miss Stone, the American missionar, ory is true, the Brlgarian brigands have our ransom noney vomen have their freedom. The start- MR. C. C. MOORE: ding part of it is the announcement that Sir I wrote you some time for the part of it is the announcement that Sir I wrote you some time for your line you to send no more of your line attent to my address. way, is a preacher, was the principal novious publications to my address o vote Rev. Tsilka a very bad preach- tell you that I neither read them mystrate that it is, perhaps better to every copy that comes steal one's own wife than another

The Ohlo Penitentiary News, that I near sizing you up. You are a Green used to edit and, by the way, it's a horn good little paper, has this item about

ransom. This debt is more important than saving sonts," said Viss Stone, and his point of view does honor to herself and raises the credit of missionaries, ill-tempered card simply exposes even among the opposition.

STOLE A BIBLE.

A Deaf Mute Given One Year In the Penitentiary.

sorry for some of the very ignorant tering a plea of guilty to the unusual charge of stealing a Bible.

> some bed clothing belonging to Nancy had forgotten to send the clothing back, of every one. added to the severity of his sentence. Judge Shackelford Miller after sen-

encing Mason made a subscription of lets, and I hope the readers will as You are a dangerous, bad citizen, and \$1 to a fund which was speedily collect-sist and relieve me by purchasing them it's my job to knock out fellows of ed and the prisoner left for Frankfort at once. You will not only be help your kind, and I am going to do it. You bearing with him a Bible presented to The prices of the pamplets on "I are almost certainly known to be a ras- him by the Judge and the officers of mortality" is 15 cents or 8 for \$1. Ou the "Causes of Anarchy"

CHARGED WITH HERESY.

Lebanon, Ill., April 10. Because of fessions of any promient Infidels. I the anthorship of a book advocating know that Ingersoll died with a smille the doctrine of reincarnation of souls, on his face, idolized by his wife and and offering scriptural reference in on his tace, idolized by his wife and and offering scriptural reference in Mulligan is wrong; the sunshine is children. I know he was a kind man. support thereof, Rev. Columbus Bradthe brightest in Colorado, but he is because I experienced his kindness. He ford has been removed from the pas- right about politics "in Kentucky was not asbamed to sign his name to torate of the Methodist Episcopal Dr. J. Kinsey Smith in his sermon said "he believed that Jonah was actually swallowed by the great fish and lived within it until cast up." Dr. It is about Torquemada and Phillip 2nd, and and Phillip 2nd, and the charge of heresy.

Church at Old-with, to which it was former to a numited control at papointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the poor. I con't appointed last year, and at the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure dollar check to help the next blade will remember with pleasure



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ARRESTED ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Said to Have Assaulted a Child.

t' J. Joines, a peddler and itiacrant evangelist, is in jail charged with criminal assault upon Sarah Reigel, an II year-old girl. The girl says the assault occurred Tuesday at Shelby and Main streets where Joines some times gave talks to those who attended services at the Echo Mission. II was only after much persuasion that side-whiskers to make her loof like old the child told her mother of the alleged assault. She said that Joines threatened to kill her if she fold. He denies the charge brought by the child. Courier-Journal.

APPROPRIATE NAME.

Eckmansville, Ohio

Sir -1 wrote you some time 1go ask in the plot to carry the women off, if they still come. I think you will see this story turns out to be true we'll have the folly of sending them here when I r, but a very long-headed rascal. If or (3) permit any one else to. As soon as should get his share of the big bil as they come out of the office 1 burn t ransom money he would demon- then and shall continue to do so will L. E. GREENHORN

Comment. Your name comes might

Your (billish rage don't hurt me any Some body has paid for the paper and sent it to you. The gentlemanly way you don't want it is to ask your pos master to botify me that the paper is "Refused." He is paid to do that You and your religion and makes Infidels

WILSON'S LECTURES.

The two lectures by Dr. Wilson, which are now published in pamplets, "Is the Christian Immortality a normal desire of the human mind," and "lui LOUISVILLE, KY., April 2. James Mason, a deaf mute, has been septinced meeting with ready sales. Their pop marity is attested by the fact that all extra editions of Blades in which they were both published were snapped up in orders of tens, twentys and The fact that at the time of the theft dreds. We can offer our readers no he had concealed the sacred book in better propogandic literature, the one theologic and the other socialisti Spears, the owner of the volume and lectures should be put into the hands pass a few of these around.

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the weary sun, with wavering throbs of light. Prowned by the crimson of its clouds, had set

Upon the vine loved fulls of Olivet, leaving them goulded by the stars and

The patient brook of Kidron murmured Above its pebbles, as it loitered by, While peace incomparable filled the

And no bird uttered there a wooling But plaint

the dw biest rushes bowed as if lu No beaty sound perturbed the con cious calin,

mayer bahn, expectancy most holy filled the air. And One, the Son of God, the spotles.

Walked thither with His Futher to theu to Gethsemane, where rose.

his worn and wandering sandals had entrord

then to Geth semane, to humbly pray Amid the birds and birds less pure than He, there to mit e calinly, from all passion free,

tatil the roly advent of the day.

bor his reproachle, a spirit was serene the groot temptations and the tre-That had be et his path, with prayers and smite. tte had resuted, while His soul was

And following line unto this quiet tame Peter, whom He loved, with John and lames,

Men of weet worth dowered with n hortal aims, to wat to upon the Pucity that prayed

And in the shade crepuscular and dim they reited, while lie wandered or atone, to speak clasins that He had never while county they they

Now God was greatly pleasured by the And when the Savior in contrition

Heat it would spare Him for the world that night

'pare Him and tend Him increase of To preach mito mankind, to soothe to save, to lessen, the dire terrors of the

to cist forth wrongs, and dry afflict

He still shall prosper, God superbl With bloom touch and With acco tonud zeal The banes and blights of multitude

to aid the helpless, resurrect the dead

But ere He give salvation unto men. Ere He redeem their perishable dus Pefore He gaineth my unfaltering His faith unshaken must be tried

Then, the blithe birds, enraptured by Christ's prayer, Broke Thro' the silence with exultant

For He had ceased, and praises troi their throats, Melodious and sweet, refreshed the air

And Jerus Christ arose to seek the day White Heaven itself was dawning in

But as He stirred, in wondering sur DITSE.

A strange shape palled before Him or the way A miraele of loveliness, a form

A creature fairer than creation's day With tempting love lips, amorously

Walm No living thing His Godhead ever made,

Had fallen upon Hls unsis pecting sight As far as this white lily of the night le in Prenitie, of prayer prayed.

No thing; and then she spake, and all her words,

Bient with the warning breezes seemed to him take sighings lovable of cherubin Aye like the murmur of the souls of

"Oh, Christ, sweet Christ," she whis pered, "have not fear,

I am the angel of the Lord august; to Thee and me lie bath now given for Thy welfare sends me

> d supreme re shes of the

Such are HIs mandates attered from above.

'My body for Thy body most divine Was formed to please, until the cer taln grave.

I am for all eternity Thy slave; but obey lo, take me, I am Thine And, while the fascinating marve

spake, Her star eyes, like two treacherous sparks of Hell, lipon Him with a tempting glitter Tell.

lier arm entwined Him like a sinuou snake.

'No, no, this cannot be," the Saylour "Thou com'st to doom me with those penfect eyes

The light within them harms and taisitles. Thon art not God-sent; get thee from my side!"

"For hours in prayer My forehead huve My kind disciples seek Me even now hearts are purer than thy radiant brow; do! leave me!" and lie called to them

them alond.

wondrous spells, God hidden came to blot The memory of the Master from their minds: His voice was lost amid the rushing

winds. And, sleeping, the disciples heard light the flowers, it seemed, gave forth 8 not

Then like a moonbeam, that in beauty Forth from a cloud' impenetrable gloom. That woman, made from shadow and In the bloom Of branty, placed her flower llps on His

"th, Man." she murinnred, "art lyiou so unwise To spurn the gift Thy Father gives to Thee? that thou not even to worship and

Thy life of foolish chastily must end. So hath It now been willed, Thou

eves"

Have I not told to Thee the Lord did Our essences eternally should blend?

Why shouldst Thou feebly hesitate to With me Thy right, made mine, and now enmesh Thy sad virginity within this flesh, On, Man of idle pantasies and prayer?

Art Thou a fool, to east aside and The opportunities, of trust and truth That give thee for electricis my of Thor purn Nature's laws and

and Thou, half God, half human, dare Or hush the pleasure offered nut-

Do tired birds shun the shelter of a To crave. His blessings, the great Panet Thou resist the languor of my

Ah, no! Ah, no! Speak now not of Thy Mine eyes have burned in Thine then

Lam Thy bassion, Lam Thy desire, Thy godliness must swoon before my nod.

'Arswer: I hold Thee flesh and spiri Thy morbld dreamy whims have van ished now on the whiteness of my breas

And tell me if Thy purity shall last? And Christ bewildered by her arden

giance, With new born fervors palpitantly shook: The ghost of purity His Ilmbs for

Prayerless, Inert. He stood as in trance By powers he ne'er had felt before

Like some snake snared and fascin ated dove. He sought the danger of her lips and

While to her lips His seeking lips were held. and he succumbed; He, the most pure

and meek, lu awful dawn of sinning, vet illid In buman wise, her love and lovell-

And, lost by love, and loving, did no speak.

Ot woman, tashloned from no mortal He felt that then His sluless life of His days of piety unique and care Had vanished in the rustle of her

Had faded in the clinging of her kiss. He knew that when He spread protect

ing arms Around deserted lepers It was sweet But sweeter far, of ravishment com plete.

Was the warm willing contact of her charms. Then mun grew in the God, the God in

And in Christ's heart there dwelt Im perious greeds. Vague, boundless passious, and enormous needs, Desires unnamed that mortals could

not span. And, as the mystic perfume of her

breath Fanned with soft warmth the pallor of His cheek. esclasy of passion tie did speak Heedless of all, defying God and Death

The joy of joys was His In that one hour. The years of fast and continence re strained

Were in that moment haughtily re gained, He sought love only and knew other power.

And with impetnous fervor He did cry "Oh, my beloved, on the dlm hills

Pehold the golden harbinger of day! Let us go hence, ere the sweet night doth dic.

'Let us go hence to lands of bud and To threece, that dreams beneath the flanless sky, To ffreece-where it is sweet to have

To live and love in ecstasy and calm. 'My soul, by thee enslaved, is thine alone, I, who am God, heed not the God on

I scorn His starry spiendors and de-His boundles, power, that makes the sad sea moan

Por thee alone, oh wonder, oh de ire, For thee alone my dazzled cense burn, Thy fips have bidden my manlines:

return, Thy kiss has purified not like a fire. 'Ah do not in thy pallid frailty shrink Like gentle roles smitten by the

The blight of God, my Father will not cast One harm upon thee I am God

"I will protect thee from Its ire and My arm will be a thield again t Hi hate I love thee, hasten, we cannot await

Intil the roly advent of the morn But from Him, as he spake, her form had crept And, the a swallow darting through a cloud, Vanished and then, with guilty

The wretched Saviour penitently wept. life unsolved secrets hidden in my Wept for His sadde t sm with reald ing trais,

The one sad sin that tainted all lis heart Sharper thun a viper's sudden dart He felt new griet and unital pecter

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Yet, with long pulpitations of despin He sought her, in Histreasy and un-With eager eyes by madnesse, po-But found her not and be dot tear It

be found her not, for the same its that sent. Her beauty to Him bade her awiitiv To one described spot in Galilee,

for God was sorely augered at the fall And sudden wor hip He had given to Her while to he in darkne

There to abide and wait the mall on

His Son impeccable had tooped be His auger fell upon Him like a patt

And from His throne, with switt and dooming breath, He bade the assembled horby o Heuven, dismayed, Lead forth the sinner who had du-

Fo shame and to oblivion and death

theu thro' the glades there rose as ominous sound The rush of armored men, by Juda led; The cedars trembled from their but

tal tread, And Jesus, mute, was in the forcidight found

And Judus kissed Him on His thig lying cheek Still warm with other kisses like s Still throbbing with an uncontrolled desire;

Kissed Him and held Hlm-and Chindid not speak! And Peter, roused from slumber, in de spalr. Rushed with Impetuous valor to de

From any foe his Master and his Orlend, And smote the servant Malchus sore ly there.

'Protect Thyself," he cried, "Oh, Mas ter kind, From these dull brutes who with Thy death and say One only word-and they with tade away Like withered, wind tost leaves," bu

Offered no firm resistance, and confused He slood all haggard by Hi uneles For hope and love abandoned Hibreast.

Christ resigned,

cused. Then before Pontius Pliate. He was brought. deered at each step, crowned with in vading thorns The buffets of the rabble and then

And wordless, He was captured and ac

No vestige of divinity or pride Moved Hum; turo' all that sad anquestioning hour The Lord swayed like a temptest And He was judged, and He was cruci

Still dazed and vexed by labyrinths of

thought.

But when the cross-nail, rent each suffering limb,

Pain worked in Its mind the sense of wrong He had committed, and the brutathron

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And thus for countless ages it will live By men named Genius, and in every Until the dolorous ending of all time, give.

It still will live in many another sphere. And sway creation in another world

Forever and forever it will soar, Most glorified, in unknown planets

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lonesome Sunday evening in the month This vast lougleaf pine forest of Southwilderness 'only excepting an occa-sional saw mill set, or chop or hack of the turpentine hunter, with now and then a small clearing and a peeled pole or Globe A Planet Eve Or world We Live In. April 7th, 19 Carter, Davis, Vick Mize, Hagood, Huber, Culpepper, etc., etc., along the way and around the then new postoffice called "Meigs," would insist that the whole of this country, aside from the whole pasturage of the wiregrass and the turpentine and humber interests was worthless, and that crops of corn, oats and vegetables took more value in cost of fertilizer to produce them, than the value of the crops when matured; and as a consequence of such a notion as this, lands that had been turpentined for miles around, could be bought for a song and you could sing it yourself there was no value in the immense crops of "crab" grass that grew up and covered every notato patch, melon field, fland, more than ten years ago, was sermon. selling this same "worthless crab grass," or after grass cut with a Mecormick mower, raked with a spring tor, admitted today that he had heard the workingmen will listen tooth sulkey rake and baled with a mathematic point of the car load. And Albany unerhants inaugurated the 'Hay Carnivestigation.

The cormick mower, raked with a spring tor, admitted today that he had heard the workingmen will listen talk of hell in the hearafter.'

ONE FARE val," "Straw Ride," "Street Fair and Call Festival," growing out of the curmachine, instead of pulling and tieing in bundles of hay and sand. And now over this same ground you'll find half the whole country cleared up and Application was made for a new producing in sugar cane, sweet syrup, trial yesterday in the case of Mrs ow peas, goover peas, rice, cotton, wa termelons, peaches, pears, plums, May berries, straw berries, sweet grapes, value per acre as the rich praries of of the Union Baprist Church, South Illinois or the blue grass region of Nineteenth street. Kentucky; and they sing a very differ ent song now to that of "twenty year Then I could do the singing and buy at my own price of a few cents pe acre; now they do the singing and sell at their own price, and at almost as many dollars per acre as it was cents then. And it's just about the same experience here around Moultrie, where came and pitched my tent and went to house keeping on a six dollar outlit in Col. Patterson's old Peter O. Wing "Pole Palace" on West Broad street, Moultrie—now directly West of a \$25,-etw brick court house and a just a little to the South of a \$20,000 "Hotel de

Put all is "developing" and going through a change. Soon the song of the "whip poor will" and the hoot of the owl will go with the hnnter's rife and wolf pit to the archives of history and such things will be no more a fact present—only a memory.

Only yesterday I with halt a dozen ear loads of earnest, hungering souls, all seeking something to please, something new, something original in the line of song, music, preaching, lecture or religion, were whirled over the T. T. & G. Ry. to Tifton, some twenty-five niles north, to hear the mental satirist, the religious clown, the Christian hu-morist, the clerical iconoclast and holy deception's relentless foe, Sam Jones preach, and the Tifton musical cult sing; - we got the music sweet end and good enough to make all ham wish and pray to 'stay right here to heaven" instead of missing such a life with no certainty of anything half good or so well understood in som foreign and nuknown existence, away in the cloudy beyond where we are su posed to go when worn out with ol age or so dead from pain and diseas that we wouldn't know a good thing trom a bad if each were piled mile deep all around us-my, I can hear tha yet. It's a solace all the brigh simny day and a real heaven in n dreams on the soft pillow of the night And I hope for such human intellec divine as will soon take us all safely! into that new and glorious realm of lit where human drops his scales and claws and the tadpole tail as it were that I was not sent to the penitentiary animal instinct, which he has chosen as animal instinct, which he has chosen as his emblem token or ruler, secular, proane, sacred or divine, in all the former ages. But I digress.

I was talking of the "Development of the Wire Grass." I was talking about how little the old time settlers of this part of Georgia really thought of this part of the country; when a persor could buy it for a song and sing it you helf and you need not be of the sweeningers of Titton either, any old son would do: provided you mixed in a lit tle cash (and the more cash the better and you could acquire titles to land all over this forest land, of ozone and pine; but go out on any rail road or dirt road now, and try to sing the gopbers into their holes, and sing titles out of the settlers of this once condemned wilderness of waste and want, my office loday. April 11, and George, and you would find the other fellow familiarly know as "Rubber," came in doing the sing song business; and that it takes dollars, instead of cents, to hughes had none to spare him. He sold huy real estate anywhere all over the 275 of the issue os Sunday, April 13, He iong straw helt.

doing good Moultrie, and now I am basiness of Moultrie, and now I am back here, after more than year's absence, I find that the whiskey or drunkard trade of Moultie was voted out last year, and I der. He walked to the scaffold singing mond," 17 jl's., \$25; "Raymond," or "Father Time." 21 jl's., \$20; trie was voted out last year, and I der. He walked to the scaffold singing mond," 17 jl's., \$18.50; Waltham and know and meet with and talk to two preachers. He took the sacrament "Crescent Str.," 21 jl's., \$20; Apple the people of the town, since the license just before climbing the golden stair. ton Tracy and Co.," 17 jl's., (nick'le) \$16; business was out lawed; and I find He "displayed great coolness." He The New Hamilton "940," 17 jl's., \$20. every former saloonist to be here wear-probably got warmer in the place he All in 2 or 4 ounce silverine) screw ing good clothes, looking well, healthy, went to. deanly and happy, and all without ac eption, meet me with a smile and a hearty hand shake—and some of these; The paper weight from the hickory

lings that were used to are idle, its only a a short time until some (Prom Moultrie Observer, April 11, thing better takes their place, and as About twenty years ago, on a cool white and yellow pine lumber per acre is cut and cleared from these piney of February, 1 took a walk, all alone, woods acres, and farming in real sensi-down the Albany branch of the S. F. & ble and studied earnest is taken up, and W. Ry. from Pelham, in Mitchell coun-drinking and fighting and lawing is ty, to Meigs, in Thomas county, Ga. dropped, there be much more room alliance this morning when, by invitapeeded in this healthy and fertile countion, he told the ministers why the vest Georgia was then an unbroken try, so lets all, let our text he "Development" in the right, instead of devil-ment to the mind and right.

GEORGE McCORMICK. The World We Live In. April 7th, 1902.

KISSES IN CHURCH CHOIR? SHOCKING!

Baritone Is Accused of Indulging Fair Singers In Osculation.

the church choir! This is the charge the congregation of the Cheswick Presbyterian Church wlll sift tomorow night. One of the Even J. L. Hand, of Pelham, argued deacons, who sings baritone, has tions of two fair members of the choir their netarious means of accumulate future. By Fellx L. Oswald. Cloth, covered every notato patch, melon field, corn farm, or after oats in summer and tall, but now all is changed; 4. 1. the congregation was listening to the

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